

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A pneumatic tire provided at its bead portion with a rubber chafer and covered at its inner surface with an innerliner, characterized in that a toe rubber is further arranged on a toe end part of the bead portion so as to overlap with the rubber chafer and the innerliner and ~~locate~~located at least outside the innerliner at the overlapped portion with the innerliner, and a rubber composition A containing at least one of butyl rubber and halogenated butyl rubber as 20-40 mass% of a rubber component is used in the toe rubber,

wherein the innerliner is turned back outward from the toe end in a widthwise direction of the tire.

2. (original) A pneumatic tire according to claim 1, wherein the toe rubber is arranged over at least a part of a region ranging from the toe end to not more than 30 mm in a direction along the inner surface of the tire and of a region ranging from the toe end to not more than 50 mm in a direction along a bead base line.

3. (original) A pneumatic tire according to claim 1, wherein the toe rubber has a maximum thickness of not more than 2.5 mm.

4. (withdrawn) A pneumatic tire according to claim 1, wherein the innerliner is arranged up to a position from the toe end to not more than 10 mm outward in a radial direction of the tire.

Claim 5 (canceled).

6. (currently amended) ~~A pneumatic tire according to claim 1,~~ A pneumatic tire provided at its bead portion with a rubber chafer and covered at its inner surface with an innerliner, characterized in that a toe rubber is further arranged on a toe end part of the bead portion so as to overlap with the rubber chafer and the innerliner and located at least outside the innerliner at the overlapped portion with the innerliner, and a rubber composition A containing at least one of butyl rubber and halogenated butyl rubber as 20-40 mass% of a rubber component is used in the toe rubber.

wherein a rubber composition B containing at least one of butyl rubber and halogenated butyl rubber as at least 80 mass% of a rubber component is used in the innerliner, and a rubber composition C containing at least one of butyl rubber and halogenated butyl rubber as at most 10 mass% of a rubber component is used in the rubber chafer.